



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

County Counsel
Director of Animal Care and Control

At its meeting held February 21, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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At the time and place regularly set, notice having been duly given, the following item was called up:

Hearing on proposed amendments to the County Code, Title 10 - Animals, to establish a Mandatory Spay and Neuter Program for Restricted Dogs for the purpose of controlling the breeding of certain dog breeds, specifically Pit Bulls and Rottweilers; amend the definition of "Hobby breeder"; add definitions for "Pit Bull," "Rottweiler," and "Unaltered"; and to establish a fee of \$150 per year for an unaltered restricted dog license, as further described in the attached letter dated February 15, 2006 from the Director of Animal Care and Control.

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Deputy Executive Officer of the Board. Marcia Mayeda, Director of Animal Care and Control and Raymond G. Fortner, Jr., County Counsel testified. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Susan Taylor, representing Actors and Others for Animals; Lila Brooks, representing the California Wildlife Defenders; Lee Wax; Jeremy Schuster, Esq., member of the Golden State Rottweiler Club; Wendy Reuben, representing Akita Buddies Rescue; Judith A. Brecka, representing Staffordshire Terrier Club of America; and other interested persons addressed the Board. Correspondence was presented.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Continued the hearing to April 25, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.;

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2. Directed County Counsel in conjunction with the Director of Animal Care and Control to prepare a revised ordinance to establish a Mandatory Spay and Neuter Program, inclusive of all dog breeds; and to incorporate into the ordinance the various issues raised including, affordable Spay and Neutering Programs; and licensing requirements for unaltered "show dogs;"
3. Directed County Counsel to examine the feasibility of preparing an ordinance to increase the penalties/fines for non-compliance of the Potentially Dangerous and Vicious Dogs Ordinance; and
4. Directed the Director of Animal Care and Control to examine the feasibility of reinstating retired Department of Animal Care and Control officers, on the 120 day Assignment Program, to assist with street sweeps for unleashed dogs.

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Attachment

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